Statement

No. of rural telephone exchanges set up during the last five years in Bihar, Especially in Muzaffarpur and Sitamarhi Districts.

Year	No. of rural telephone exchanges set up in:		
	Bihar	Muzaffarpur Distt.	Sitamarhi Distt.
1990-91	13	—	—
1991-92	48	2	—
1992-93	125	1	—
1993-94	108	1	—
1994-95	25	—	—
TOTAL:	319	4	—

Granting of FPO licence to Coca Cola India

150. SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI VIREN J. SHAH:

Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether a multinational company, Coaca Cola India has been issued a conditional FPO licence;

(b) if so, from which date and the reasons therefor with full details:

(c) whether it is a fact that FPO licences are issued before a manufacturer met all the mandatory obligations, if so, to what extent Coca Cola India fulfilled these conditions; and

(d) whether it is a fact that Coke has been manufacturing the canned beverage in its Britoo unit even before the date of issue of the FPO licence, if so, the facts in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI K.P. SINGH DEO): (a) No request for FPO licence has been received from M/s. Coca Cola India and no such licence has been issued.

(b) and (c) Does not arise.

(d) Details are being collected and will be laid on the Table of the House.

Malfunctioning of Mini-Exchanges in Punjab

151. SHRI BHUPINDER SINGH MANN: Will the Minister of COMMUNICATIONS be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that most of the telephones operating through mini-exchanges in Punjab don't work properly and quite often lying in dormant state due to overstretched capacity of exchange lines; and

(b) if so, the steps being taken to put them in order and replace the exchanges into electronic ones?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF COMMUNICATIONS (SHRI SUKH RAM): (a) No, Sir. All the telephones operating through small exchanges are working satisfactory.

(b) Does not arise, as all the small exchanges are already converted into Electronic Exchanges.

Supply of CNG to Industrial Units of Agra

152. SHRI K.M. KHAN:
SHRI SANJAY DALMIA:
SHRI MAULANA OBAIDULLAH KHAN AZMI:

Will the Minister of PETROLEUM & NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Gas Authority of India Limited had finalised the details about the supply of Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) to industrial units in Agra city;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if not, the reasons for delay?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) to (c) Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) is planned to be supplied to vehicles in Agra city. Two outlets have been identified for dispensing CNG. Natural Gas is also Planned to be supplied to industries in Agra and Ferozabad area through a distribution net-work 0.6 MMSCMD has been allocated for the above purpose.

मध्य प्रदेश में बेतवा नदी हेतु आवंटन

153. **श्री राघवजी:** क्या पर्यावरण और वन मंत्री यह बताने की कृपा करेंगे कि:

(क) क्या केन्द्रीय सरकार ने मध्य प्रदेश में बेतवा नदी के शुद्धिकरण हेतु मध्य प्रदेश सरकार को कोई धनराशि उपलब्ध कराई है;

(ख) यदि हां, तो उसका ब्यौरा क्या है; और

(ग) यदि नहीं, तो इसे कब तक प्रदान / जारी किए जाने की संभावना है और धनराशि को प्रदान / जारी करने में विलम्ब होने के क्या कारण हैं?

पर्यावरण और वन मंत्रालय के राज्य मंत्री (श्री राजेश पायलट): मध्य प्रदेश में मण्डीदीप, भोपाल और विदिशा में बेतवा नदी के प्रदूषण निवारण कार्यों के लिए प्रस्तावों को 908.48 लाख रुपये की लागत पर अनुमोदित कर दिया गया है। राज्य सरकार को इस कार्यक्रम के अन्तर्गत शुरू की जाने वाली स्कीमों की विस्तृत परियोजना रिपोर्टें तैयार करने के लिए 11.50 लाख रुपये की राशि जारी की गई है। राज्य सरकार को और राशि विस्तृत परियोजना रिपोर्टें प्राप्त होने तथा उनका अनुमोदन होने पर जारी की जाएगी।

Parallel Marketing Programme for LPG and Kerosene

154. SHRI SARADA MOHANTY: Will the Minister of PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have made any review on the implementation of parallel marketing programme for LPG and Kerosene;

(b) if so, the state-wise review made in that regard; and

(c) to what extent success has been achieved under the scheme?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF PETROLEUM AND NATURAL GAS (CAPT. SATISH SHARMA): (a) and (b) In February, 1993, Government allowed the private agencies to import and market Kerosene and LPG by setting up/using theirs own infrastructure and distribution network at market determined prices under their own terms. Some reports have come to the notice of the Government about the malpractices by the parallel marketeers of kerosene and LPG. The State and Union Territory Governments have been advised to ban collection of deposits by parallel marketeers without their making adequate arrangements for supply of